Best Practices Advisory Committee

Minutes from February 6th, 2007

Voting members present: Carlos Andarsio, Christy Dye, Aimee Schwartz, Bob Bohanske, Teresa Bertsch, Judy Russell, Jill Fabian, Sue Davis, Joan Grey, Tim Davis, Tom Kelly **Non-voting members present:** Stacia Ortega, Kim Skrentny, Meena Shahi, Bob Crouse, Dan Wynkoop, Jytte Methmann, Ali De la Trinidad, Kristen Frounkelker (for Alexandra O'Hannon)

Absent: Trish Bleth, Alexandra O'Hannon, Valley Owen, Judith Pickens Tim Dunst, Mike Shafer, Marie Hawkins

Members of the Public: Mim Kile

Welcome and Introductions: Carlos Andarsio

Review of Minutes

Review of Meeting Minutes from the January 16th, 2007 meeting. The minutes were approved with a minor correction.

Subcommittee Updates

- Assessment—This group had their first meeting on January 24th. They will initially be looking only at the assessments process in the adult system and will begin by reviewing the engagement section. After making recommendations in that area, the group will focus on the administrative section of the assessment process. A primary goal of the subcommittee will be to find a way of taking full advantage of the 45 day time frame given to complete the initial assessment. Questions arose during the meeting about the Annual Assessment Update, but these questions were put in a "parking lot" for future discussion while the Initial Core Assessment is dealt with.
 - Homework assignments were given to members and the subcommittee will be prepared to provide a rough draft of recommendations at the next BPAC meeting in March.
- ❖ <u>Peer Support</u>—Held their first meeting on January 31st. The subcommittee will be looking at, among other things;
 - How to balance family involvement as it applies to young adults, now in the adult system, specifically surrounding confidentiality issues
 - What does the research indicate about success and peer support in the substance abuse field
 - Peer support for transition age youth

Meena Shahi will be gathering data for the group related to 18-24 year olds and separated out by population (S.A., SMI, and GMH) and substances used

Client Directed, Outcome Informed—Have not met yet as a group, but Dr. Bohanske and Dr. Andarsio have held a prelimary meeting and Bob will be doing some groundwork in preparation for the larger group meeting.

Subcommittee Reporting Format

❖ The group reviewed the form and agreed that it can be individualized for each subcommittee in order to enhance its usefulness. It should be used for the Subcommittees final report to the BPAC and each group will use the portions of the tool they feel are appropriate and helpful. Many members felt that the elements of the tool should be utilized as fully as possible in order to provide the most detailed information for the BPAC to review.

There was further discussion about specific parts of the tool and the following two recommendations were agreed upon;

- Point #8 should be changed to read, "Identify any potential costs associated with implementation"
- In point #9, the word "piloting" should be changed to "demonstration site".

Youth Substance Abuse EBPs

❖ Christy informed the group that the final draft of the demonstration site letter is being reviewed and should be finalized and sent to providers sometime later this week.

ADHS Web Page

❖ Most committee members had confirmed their contact information to be included on the ADHS Web Page. Any others who wanted to make corrections or changes were asked to send those in as soon as possible.

Master Clinician/Recognition of Excellence

❖ The group spent a considerable amount of time discussing the merits as well as potential drawbacks surrounding the implementation of some type of recognition process. The decision was made to organize a subcommittee which will meet and review the many issues raised during the discussion today. Christy volunteered to lead the subcommittee which will also include Mike S., Tim Davis and Tom Kelly. The group will report back to the BPAC in two months.

Next meeting: Tuesday March 6th, 2007 from 1:00-3:00 in room 215B